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Proclaim July as Junior Golfer's Appreciation Month

Youth sports programs are valuable recreational activities for young residents of Los Angeles County. Not only do they offer an opportunity for kids of all ages to learn new physical, social, and mental skills, but youth sports also serves as a deterrent to crime. As schools have reduced funding for extracurricular activities including sports programs, the need for affordable youth sports alternatives has increased. Golf is one of those activities that can be enjoyed regardless of age or skill level. It is also an intergenerational activity that parents and grandparents can enjoy with their kids.

In July 2012, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors hosted the 13th Annual Junior Golfer's Appreciation Month. Over 2,800 kids took advantage of the reduced rates during last summer's event. This also increased overall play because the youth had to play with a full paying adult. The result was a win – win situation for golfers and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

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WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT:

1. The Board of Supervisors declare the month of July, 2013 as "Junior Golfers Appreciation Month".

2. Instruct the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to create a program for the month of July 2013 at all County Golf Courses that will allow Junior Golfers (18 and under) to play for $1 with every full paying adult or senior after 12:00 noon daily.

3. Direct each golf course owned by Los Angeles County to hold a free "Special Skills Day" including activities such as free lessons, clinics, skills challenge contests, and other such events that will improve and promote junior golf participation.

4. Direct each golf course owned by Los Angeles County to accept donations of new and used golf clubs and balls that will be used by the Department of Parks and Recreation's popular Junior Golf Program.

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